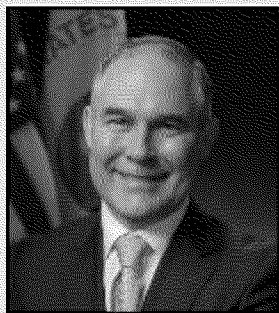


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Scott Pruitt assumes role as EPA Administrator



Oklahoma Attorney General Scott Pruitt was confirmed and sworn in as EPA's 14th administrator on Feb. 17.

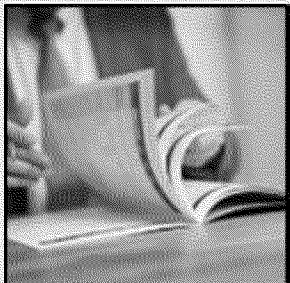
Administrator Pruitt believes promoting and protecting a strong and healthy environment is one of the lifeblood priorities of the government, and EPA is a vital part of that mission.

As Administrator, Pruitt will lead EPA in a way that our future generations inherit a better and healthier environment while advancing America's economic interests. He is committed to working with the thousands of dedicated public servants at EPA who have devoted their careers to helping realize this shared vision, while faithfully administering environmental laws.

[Read the full version of this story](#) and [watch the video](#) of his first address to EPA staff earlier today.

Hot Topics

EPA announces 2016 Science and Technology Achievement Award winners



EPA recently announced the winners of the 2016 Science and Technology Achievement Awards (STAA). The Agency awarded 21 nominations with Level II and III STAA awards for notably excellent or unusually notable research or technological effort, and 32 nominations with honorable mentions.

The [STAA program](#) sponsored by the Office of Research and Development (ORD) in cooperation with EPA's Science Advisory Board recognizes EPA employees who have made outstanding contributions to the advancement of science and technology through their publication of peer-reviewed articles or books. Science is the foundation of decision-making at EPA, and the 2016 STAA award winners reflect the Agency's long history of scientific excellence.

[View the 2016 STAA winners.](#)

Celebrating African American History Month

EPA African American Career Profiles

As part of the Agency's recognition of African American History Month, we're proud to showcase the [career profiles of African Americans at EPA](#). This page highlights the work of a small sample of the talented group of African American employees at the Agency. The page includes:

- [Beverly Banister](#), Director Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division, Region 4
- [Carlton Eley](#), Senior Environmental Protection Specialist, HQ
- [Shakeba Carter-Jenkins](#), Public Engagement Specialist, HQ
- [Carlos Evans](#), Attorney Advisor, HQ
- [Leslye Fraser](#), Environmental Appeals Judge, HQ

If you would like to be included on the African American employee profiles page, please contact Jessica Ann Orquina, Associate Director, Office of Web Communications at orquina.jessica@epa.gov or 202-564-0446.

Commit to quit tobacco during Great American Spit Out



Kick the smokeless tobacco habit. Join the Great

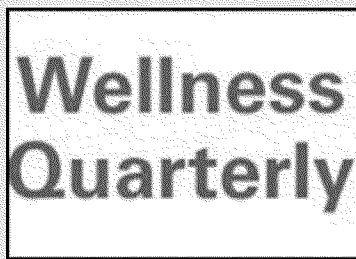
American Spit Out Feb. 23, and set your quit date. Did you know smokeless tobacco is no healthier than smoking? It can cause oral, pancreatic, and esophageal cancer along with white leathery patches inside the mouth, stained teeth, and bad breath.

There has never been a better time to quit tobacco. All Federal Employees Health Benefits plans offer coverage to help you quit once and for all. Check out the [Office of Personnel Management - Quit Smoking Initiative](#). The benefit covers treatment for all forms of tobacco use along with four tobacco cessation counseling sessions of at least 30 minutes for at least two quit attempts per year. This includes proactive telephone counseling, group counseling, and individual counseling.

Many resources are available to help you kick the habit. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) [QuitGuide](#) is a free app that helps you understand your tobacco use patterns and build the skills needed to become and stay tobacco free. The QuitGuide even offers the ability to track cravings by time of day and location.

For more information about kicking the habit, visit the CDC's [Smoking & Tobacco Use](#) site or the [Smokefree.gov](#) site.

New issue of Wellness Quarterly now available



Read the latest [Wellness Quarterly](#) to catch up on new health and wellness resources, tips, and events. In this edition, find out how to:

- ✓• Step up your fitness;
- ✓• Drive safely on winter roads;
- ✓• Arrange an ergonomic workstation; and
- ✓• Reduce your risk of cancer.

Wellness Quarterly is published by the Safety and Sustainability Division within the Office of Administration and Resources Management (OARM).

Key Dates



Click on each event below to get more details.

Click on the "Add to Calendar" button to add an event to your Outlook calendar.

If you see a log-in screen, please click on your EPA email, or if prompted, enter your email and network password.

Video Spotlight

EPA - Youth and the Environment

EPA's Youth and the Environment Program provides low income high school students with summer opportunities to gain exposure to a wide range of environmental careers including: wastewater treatment operators, wet weather management (combined sewer and sanitary sewer overflows), recycling, energy management, hazardous waste management, and ecology.

Happening This Week:

Feb. 21: How to Use Online CFRs webinar

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Coming Soon:

Mar. 2: Lean Overview Webinar

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Apr. 6: Lean Overview Webinar

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Health & Wellness

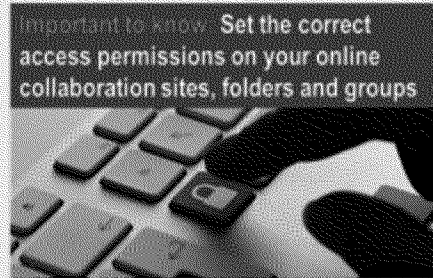
Learn the warning signs of a stroke

IT Corner

Use Office 365 to share, collaborate while protecting EPA information



According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, stroke is the fifth leading cause of death in the United States and is a major cause of adult disability. Most strokes occur when the artery that supplies blood to the brain is blocked, which causes brain cells to die.



Did you know that access to many of the Office 365 tools, like SharePoint sites, One Drive, and Office 365 groups, is managed through **access permissions**?

Common warning signs and symptoms of a stroke are:

- Sudden trouble talking or understanding speech
- Sudden trouble walking, dizziness or loss of balance
- Sudden numbness in the face, arm or leg, especially on one side of the body
- Nausea or vomiting
- Drowsiness

• In SharePoint, Site Owners can control who can access (view only) or contribute and edit the site and its contents.

• In One Drive, you can post documents for your own individual use or give access (view only or edit) to these documents to other individuals or groups.

• In Office 365 Groups, you can use a group that is private (only those who are added to the group can see its contents) or public (all EPA users can see the contents of a group).

Immediately call 911 if you or someone around you experiences these symptoms. For more information, please visit EPA's heart health site.

Regardless of which tools you use, it is important to make sure sensitive documents and business information are protected by setting the appropriate permissions to your sites, groups, files and folders.

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